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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

CSLC EIR No.: 722

Project: EIR for Shell Martinez Marine Oil Terminal

CSLC Ref Files: Lease PRC4980.1; WP4908; W9777.16; W30068.16

SCH No.: 2004072114

Date: July 21, 2004

To: Interested Parties

Project: New 30-year lease to Shell Oil Products US (Shell) to continue current

operations of crude oil and petroleum product marine terminal

Applicant: Shell Oil Products US (Shell)

3485 Pacheco Blvd.

Martinez, California 94553

Location: The Shell Marine Oil Terminal (Shell Terminal) at Martinez is located on

the south side of the Carquinez Strait, in Contra Costa County,

approximately 0.6 miles west of the Benicia- Martinez Bridge in the city of

Martinez, California.

Project Description:

The Shell Terminal and refinery have occupied the current location since 1915, processing hydrocarbon fuels and asphalt, with an approximate average throughput of 155,000 barrels per day. The Shell Terminal occupies State tide and submerged lands under the jurisdiction of the California State Lands Commission (CSLC). Shell currently leases 19.26 acres of sovereign public land from the CSLC for the Shell Terminal, and is seeking approval from the CSLC for a new 30-year lease.

Purpose of Public Scoping Process:

The California State Lands Commission (CSLC) will be the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for this project.

The purpose of this Notice of Preparation / Notice of Public Scoping Meeting is to obtain agency and the public's views as to the scope and content of the environmental information and analysis, including the significant environmental issues and reasonable alternatives and mitigation measures, that should be included in the draft EIR. Applicable agencies will need to use the EIR when considering related permits or other approvals for the Project.

The Project description, location, and potential environmental effects are discussed in the attached Scoping Document. Due to the time limits mandated by State law, written comments must be sent by **August 20, 2004.** Please send your comments at the earliest possible date to:

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NOTE: You are encouraged to submit electronic copies of your comments in Microsoft WORD format. If comments are faxed or sent by e-mail, please also mail a copy to ensure that a clean copy is received by this office.

Pursuant to Section 15083, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, the CSLC will also conduct two public scoping meetings for the proposed Project to receive oral testimony at the time and place listed below:

DATE: August 9, 2004.

TIME: 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Contra Costa County Administration Building

Board of Supervisors Conference Room, #107

651 Pine Street Martinez, California

If you have any questions or would like a copy of this notice, please contact Valerie Van Way at the above address, by phone (916) 574-2274, or e-mail at vanway@slc.ca.gov. Copies of this Notice will also be available at the public scoping meeting and on the CSLC web page: www.slc.ca.gov (under the "Public Notices" link).

Signature:		Date:	7-21-2004	
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